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**Art Unit 1647**

Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
Application No. 09/869,565; Filed: October 17, 2001  
For: **PTH Receptor and Screening Assay Utilizing the Same**  
Inventors: GARDELLA *et al.*  
Our Ref: 0609.4730000/LBB/M-G

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1);
2. Fee Transmittal Form (PTO/SB/17);
3. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111;
4. Declaration by Applicant Concerning the Deposit of a Biological Material;
5. Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) in the amount of \$368.00 to cover:  
\$110.00 - one-month extension of time fee; and  
\$258.00 - excess claims fee; and
6. One (1) return postcard.

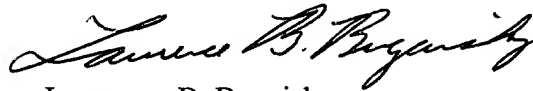
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Respectfully submitted,

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THE DEPOSIT OF MICROORGANISMS FOR THE PURPOSES OF PATENT PROCEDURE

INTERNATIONAL FORM

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AND VIABILITY STATEMENT ISSUED PURSUANT TO RULE 10.2

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Massachusetts General Hospital  
Attn: Thomas Gardella  
Endocrine Unit, 32 Fruit Street  
Boston, MA 02114

Deposited on Behalf of: The General Hospital Corporation

Identification Reference by Depositor:

Patent Deposit Designation

*Escherichia coli* with plasmid TG-98  
*E. coli* with plasmid TG-422  
*E. coli* with plasmid TG-433  
*E. coli* with plasmid TG-454  
*E. coli* with plasmid TG-462

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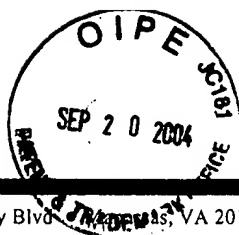
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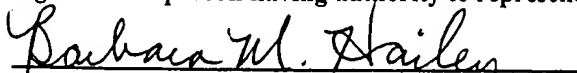
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